

TABLE 17. Doctorate recipients, by race/ethnicity and citizenship: 1999–2009

Race/ethnicity and citizenship	Year of doctorate										
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total all doctorate recipients ^a	41,098	41,366	40,737	40,025	40,759	42,118	43,381	45,617	48,130	48,763	49,562
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	30,317	29,958	28,903	27,743	28,170	28,038	27,948	29,017	29,494	30,811	32,231
Temporary visa holder	9,063	9,668	9,817	9,757	10,602	11,633	12,848	14,205	15,176	15,257	14,724
Unknown citizenship	1,718	1,740	2,017	2,525	1,987	2,447	2,585	2,395	3,460	2,695	2,607
American Indian/Alaska Native	213	168	164	155	142	135	142	129	151	129	156
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	213	168	152	150	137	131	140	118	143	122	146
Temporary visa holder ^b	0	0	12	5	5	4	2	11	D	D	10
Unknown citizenship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	D	D	0
Asian ^c	7,996	8,064	8,118	7,904	8,295	9,082	10,248	11,805	12,476	12,630	12,426
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	2,498	2,276	2,191	2,119	2,047	2,061	2,185	2,418	2,333	2,553	2,687
Temporary visa holder	5,472	5,766	5,899	5,750	6,219	6,972	8,021	9,309	10,059	10,065	9,708
Unknown citizenship	26	22	28	35	29	49	42	78	84	12	31
Black	2,053	2,098	2,014	2,036	2,099	2,387	2,189	2,238	2,480	2,473	2,699
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	1,766	1,750	1,732	1,759	1,798	1,989	1,799	1,815	1,973	2,017	2,221
Temporary visa holder	280	335	266	256	267	358	384	391	480	447	447
Unknown citizenship	7	13	16	21	34	40	6	32	27	9	31
Hispanic ^d	1,907	1,963	1,916	2,033	2,232	2,031	2,283	2,335	2,546	2,706	2,799
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	1,327	1,310	1,270	1,372	1,437	1,302	1,431	1,535	1,652	1,769	1,866
Temporary visa holder	563	646	624	651	786	712	847	788	872	931	922
Unknown citizenship	17	7	22	10	9	17	5	12	22	6	11
White	26,427	26,404	25,494	24,384	24,520	24,662	24,766	25,608	26,012	26,539	27,292
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	23,901	23,719	22,689	21,456	21,574	21,451	21,506	22,137	22,377	23,225	24,053
Temporary visa holder	2,487	2,614	2,656	2,693	2,829	3,055	3,176	3,303	3,376	3,274	3,074
Unknown citizenship	39	71	149	235	117	156	84	168	259	40	165
Two or more races	na	na	337	307	409	424	441	542	546	565	699
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	na	na	307	274	366	389	399	469	508	520	651
Temporary visa holder	na	na	28	33	43	35	42	71	33	44	48
Unknown citizenship	na	na	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	1	0
Other/unknown ^e	2,502	2,669	2,694	3,206	3,062	3,397	3,312	2,960	3,919	3,721	3,491
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	612	735	562	613	811	715	488	525	508	605	607
Temporary visa holder	261	307	332	369	453	497	376	332	D	D	515
Unknown citizenship	1,629	1,627	1,800	2,224	1,798	2,185	2,448	2,103	D	D	2,369

D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information. na = not applicable; respondents were instructed to indicate only one race.

^a Group totals include individuals for whom sex was not reported (34 in 2009).

^b In most cases, non-U.S. American Indians are citizens of Canada or of a Latin American country.

^c Includes non-Hispanic Native Hawaiians or Other Pacific Islanders through 2000, but excludes them from 2001–09.

^d Persons reporting an Hispanic ethnicity, whether singly or in combination with one or more races, are included in the respondent-selected Hispanic ethnicity category.

^e Before 2001 this category only included non-Hispanic doctorate recipients who did not indicate their race, respondents selecting more than one race, and doctorate recipients with unknown race and ethnicity; since 2001 this category has included non-Hispanic doctorate recipients who did not indicate their race, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islanders, and doctorate recipients with unknown race and ethnicity.

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